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Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING

ACCESS TO AREAS OF GAMING MACHINES

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As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first, and sole inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention described and claimed in the above-captioned application.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-captioned application, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of the claims in this application in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56(a).

We appoint Seyfarth Shaw, and each and every member and associate thereof and patent agent therein, including Harold V. Stotland (Reg. No. 24,492), J. Terry Stratman (Reg. No. 25,165), Alan L. Unikel (Reg. No. 24,142), George H. Gerstman (Reg. No. 22,419), Garrettson Ellis (Reg. No. 22,792), William J. Hallihan (Reg. No. 39,210) and Jonar J. Tolentino (Reg. No. 46,184), as attorneys, with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

We request that all correspondence in respect to this application be directed to Harold V. Stotland, Seyfarth Shaw, 55 East Monroe Street, Suite 4200, Chicago, Illinois 60603-5803, and whose telephone number is 312-346-8000.

All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true, all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and these statements were made with the



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